

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Examiner: TBA
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ICHIKAWA, Yoshitaka, et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1623
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Serial No.: 10/586,578)	Docket No.: 8031-014-US
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Filed: July 19, 2006)	
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For: Treatment of)	
Degenerative Cartilage)	
Conditions in a Mammal with)	
Glycosidase Inhibitors)	

Request of Correction of Errors on Filing Receipt

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This Request is being submitted for the purpose of correcting numerous errors appearing on the Filing Receipt mailed May 11, 2007. Applicant respectfully requests the following corrections to the Filing Receipt:

The Filing Receipt indicates a filing date of September 25, 2006. The filing date of the application was July 19, 2006. We have enclosed a copy of the Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning Submission under 35 U.S.C. 371, in which the PCT recordation stamp shows the date July 19, 2006. Additionally, Applicant directs the attention of the Office to the Express Mailing date, which also shows the July 19,

2006 date. Therefore, Applicant requests a correction depicting the true filing date of July 19, 2006.

The Filing Receipt lists only one applicant. We have enclosed a copy of the Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76, mailed on July 19, 2006. The PCT recordation stamp shows the date July 19, 2006 as the date accorded for the above filing. Please correct the Filing Receipt to show the following applicants:

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Youe-Kong Shue, Carlsbad, CA
Norman K. Orida, San Diego, CA
Martin Lotz, La Jolla, CA
Chi-Huey Wong, Rancho Santa Fe, CA
Franklin W. Okumu, San Diego, CA
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Please also correct the address for Applicant Yoshitaka Ichikawa from "San DIEgo" to "San Diego."

The Filing Receipt incorrectly spells a word in the title of the application. Please see the enclosed copy of the Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76 and the enclosed copy of the Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office Concerning Submission under 35 U.S.C. 371 (page 3), both mailed on July 19, 2006. This indicates that the correct spelling of "Glycosidase." Please change the spelling on the Filing Receipt from "Glycosidasc" to "Glycosidase."

It is believed that there are no fees due for this request. If this is not the case, please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 502235. The Office may contact Applicant's representative at (858) 200-0586 for additional clarification.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 24, 2007


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 8031-014-US U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/586578
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US2005/002017	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20 January 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 20 January 2004
TITLE OF INVENTION "Treatment of Degenerative Cartilage Conditions in a Mammal with..."		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Ichikawa, et al.		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		

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20. Other items or information:					
The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(e))..... \$300				\$	
				300.00	
22. <input type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c))					
If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$0				\$	
All other situations..... \$200				200.00	
23. <input type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b))					
If the written opinion of the ISA/US or the International preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)..... \$0					
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority..... \$100				\$	
International Search Report prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB..... \$400				100.00	
All other situations..... \$500					
TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =				\$600.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100 =	/50 =		x \$250	\$0	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing any of the search fee, examination fee, or the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)).				\$130.00	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	\$	
Total claims	41 - 20 =	21	x \$ 50	\$1050.00	
Independent claims	4 - 3 =	1	x \$200	\$200.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$360	\$0	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$1980.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.					
SUBTOTAL =				\$990.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).				\$0	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$990.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$150.00	
				Amount to be refunded:	\$
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Date: July 19, 2006


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

This submission is to effect entry of PCT Application PCT/US2005/002017 the United States National Stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495.

Accordingly, the following documents are transmitted:

1. Transmittal Letter for Submission under 35 USC 371 with Fee Sheet indicating a fee payment of \$150.00, reflecting the basic national stage fee of \$150.00 for a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a) (3 pages in duplicate);

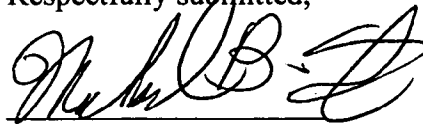
2. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76 giving biographical information on the inventors of the above-identified application as well as details of the claim for priority based on a previously-filed provisional application (3 pages); and
3. A copy of the above-identified PCT application. Because the above-identified PCT application was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the copy is not required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(b)(i). The copy is provided for convenience (33 pages);
4. A Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 to amend the specification and claims of the above-identified application for entry into the United States National Stage (9 pages); and
5. A Self Addressed Prepaid Stamped Postcard

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 365 is hereby claimed for the national stage application. This priority is claimed to: (1) PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/002017 filed on January 20, 2005, and designating the United States; and (2) United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/531,168 filed on January 20, 2004, from which PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/002017 claimed priority.

Date:

July 19, 2006

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APPLICATION DATA SHEET UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

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Application Information

- (a) Title: Treatment of Degenerative Cartilage Conditions in a Mammal with Glycosidase Inhibitors"
- (b) Total Number of Specification Pages: 25
- (c) Total Number of Claims Pages: 4
- (d) Total Number of Drawing Sheets: 3
- (e) Total Number of Abstract Pages: 1
- (f) Attorney Docket Number: 8031-014-US

- (g) Type of Application: Utility Application under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
- (h) Status of Disclosure of Information from Application under a Secrecy Order: No disclosure of any information from any application under secrecy order.

Representative Information

Customer Number: 32301

Priority Information

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Applicant(s)

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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/US05/02017 01/20/2005
which claims benefit of 60/531,168 01/20/2004

Foreign Applications

If Required, Foreign Filing License Granted: 05/11/2007

The country code and number of your priority application, to be used for filing abroad under the Paris Convention, is
US10/586,578

Projected Publication Date: 08/23/2007

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

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